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LTG Daniel O. Graham, USA  
Director  
Defense Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D. C. 20301

Dear Danny:

The Director has asked that I respond to your suggestion to him for contract people to help you in upgrading the estimate process in DIA. The task we have is to find a way to provide the DCI with a "development complement" of ceiling and money that he could assign to stimulate short-term exchanges of personnel between analytic elements of the Intelligence Community.

Until a few weeks ago, CIA, with a wide latitude, had used a contract as one way of accommodating the employment of short-term skills for particular analytic tasks. Indeed, several such slots are provided to the Community staff. However, Mr. Colby has decided to abolish the practice of excluding Agency contract slots per se from ceiling and to deal with OMB and the Congress in terms of CIA total employment, including what previously had been contract positions. Thus, what was available to him as a potential course of action under the proposal you had discussed [ ] is no longer with us.

We believe, however, that we can defend with the OMB the establishment of a small amount of money [ ] in FY 76 proposed by OMB to the DCI for improving the intelligence product. Some part of these funds could accommodate contractual employment or some sort of "development complement". We intend to pursue this approach and also to encourage Defense officials to authorize DIA funds which could do essentially the same thing.

Sincerely,

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